

Work Task F2:	Avian Use of Restoration Sites
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Purpose:	Monitor effectiveness of restoration sites in providing habitat for LCR MSCP covered avifauna.
Conservation Measures:	MRM2
Long-term Goal:	Monitoring restoration sites for avian use will continue throughout the LCR MSCP to provide data for the adaptive management process and to develop management criteria for restored sites.
FY05 Estimate:	Estimated FY05 costs for Reclamation staff, travel, and per diem are \$50,000.
Project Description:	Riparian habitat restoration will benefit nine LCR MSCP covered avian species, including southwestern willow flycatcher and yellow-billed cuckoo. Restoration demonstration sites will be monitored for bird activity, using a variety of techniques including point counts, area searches, and species specific survey protocols. Protocols will be developed to monitor habitat creation sites as the LCR MSCP evolves. Data gathered will be used to design riparian habitat restoration projects to provide covered species habitat.
Accomplishments to date:	Reclamation has developed avian monitoring protocols and has used these protocols in riparian restoration sites along the LCR.